

7-002 1966 Squatting Letter

Greenways
Knockholt
near Sevenoaks
Kent

October 17th., 1966

Dear VANKO :

We are making progress.

The Gypsy Liaison Committee members will meet on November 6th. to plan an assembly of Gypsies and travellers in the London region (and from Kent, Birmingham, Leicester) for the purpose of establishing a national association.

We will establish, at the same time, a small monthly journal to circularise to about 100 groups of travellers in Britain and Ireland.

Donald Kenrick asks you (perhaps Tchalai can do this) to write a pamphlet (an official document) for circularisation among all the groups in Bulgaria. He wants about 50 copies. He wants to know what the International Gypsy Committee plans to do, bearing in mind that some of his Bulgarian Gypsy friends are Communist Party members and have a particular view point. He will have the pamphlet translated into Bulgarian and Romanes and will print it here in London, for distribution next year.

Meanwhile, we are going to produce a pamphlet for our people in Britain and Ireland, stating the aims of the association and the aims of the international movement.

We are expecting the police to evict, expell, us from Lord Stanhope's land any moment. We have been found by his gamekeeper.

By the way, can you or Stevo or Tchalai or somebody come over, very briefly, for our foundation meeting in London in December. We can look after whoever comes, of course ?